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LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE,  
PORTABLE ELECTRONIC DEVICE AND  
DRIVING METHOD THEREOF

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- (1) Japanese Published Unexamined Patent  
Application No. (A) 09-090317 (CANON INC),  
published April 4, 1997;
- (2) Japanese Published Unexamined Patent  
Application No. (A) 10-021457 (OMRON CORP),  
published January 23, 1998; and
- (1) Japanese Published Unexamined Patent  
Application No. (A) 10-197850 (CANON INC),  
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Applicants consider the invention to be distinguishable over the above-cited documents.

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